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#### VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Commission's Secretary Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

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RE: Docket No. 14-171
Administration of Lifeline Georgia Assistance Programs for Low-Income Consumers
FCC Form 555

Dear Secretary:

On behalf of ComSouth Telecommunications (ComSouth), please find enclosed an original and one (1) copy of the ComSouth FCC Form 555, Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 478-783-4001. Sincerely,

Neysa Atkinson Assistant Controller

Enclosures

#### Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

# IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST Received & Inspected

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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| Study Area Code (SAC) (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a co                             | FCC Mail Room ertification form for each SAC through which it provides Lifeline service).   |
| Georgia<br>State  | ComSouth Telecommunications ETC Name  |
| DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)                        | ComSouth Corporation  Holding Company Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)   |
|   | Yes No No No Susing page 4 and additional sheets if necessary. Affiliation shall be Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) prership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47  Affiliated ETC's Name          |
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| formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is laws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be | of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of s a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate by-president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, there is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification. |
| Section 1: Initial Certification All ETCs must complete   | this section  |
| I certify that the company listed above has certification pr  | rocedures in place to:  |
|   | entation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and as presented with documentation of each consumer's household  |

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area Code listed above.

B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state

income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline; and/or

Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

Initial

#### Section 2: Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty blocks. If an ETC has nothing to report in a block, enter a zero.

| A   | В   | C   | D   | $\mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D})$  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of subscribers<br>claimed on February<br>FCC Form 497 of<br>current Form 555<br>calendar year<br>(February data month) | Number of lines<br>claimed on February<br>FCC Form 497 of<br>current Form 555<br>calendar year<br>provided to wireline<br>resellers | Number of subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form 497 that were initially enrolled in the current Form 555 calendar year  (These subscribers did not have Lifeline service prior to January 1 of the current 555 calendar year.) | Number of subscribers de-enrolled <u>prior</u> to recertification attempt by either the ETC, a state administrator, access to an eligibility database, or by USAC | Number of<br>subscribers ETC is<br>responsible for<br>recertifying for<br>current Form 555<br>calendar year |
|   | o   | o   | 0   | 0   |

#### **Recertification Results:**

| F   | G  | $\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{G})$    | I  | $\mathbf{J} = (\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{I})$   |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Number of<br>subscribers ETC<br>contacted directly to<br>recertify eligibility<br>through attestation | Number of<br>subscribers<br>responding to ETC<br>contact | Number of non-<br>responding<br>subscribers | Number of subscribers responding that they are no longer eligible  (This should be a subset of Block G.) | Number of subscribers de-<br>enrolled or scheduled to be<br>de-enrolled as a result of<br>non-response or response of<br>ineligibility from ETC<br>recertification attempt |
|   | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0  |

| K   | L  |
|---|--|
| Number of<br>subscribers whose<br>eligibility was<br>reviewed by state<br>administrator,<br>ETC access to eligibility<br>database, or by USAC | Number of<br>subscribers de-enrolled or<br>scheduled to be de-enrolled as<br>a result of finding of<br>ineligibility by state<br>administrator, ETC access to<br>eligibility database, or USAC |
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Note: If any subscriber was reviewed by an ETC accessing a state database or by a state administrator and subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in Blocks F through J as appropriate and not in Blocks K and L. As a result, all subscribers subject to recertification who were not de-enrolled prior to the recertification attempt must be accounted for in Block F or Block K.

The total of Block F and Block K should equal the number reported in Block E.

#### Certification:

Based on the data entered above, initial the certification(s) below that apply. Both Certification A and B may apply depending on the recertification procedures in place for the SAC reporting on this form. If Certification C applies, neither Certification A nor B may apply.

A.) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart above in Blocks F through J. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

Initial \_\_\_\_

#### AND/OR

B.) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify consumer eligibility by relying on:

(List database or name of administrator here)

Blocks K through L. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

Initial\_

OR

C.) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

#### Section 3: De-enroll Percentage

Using the data entered in Section 2, complete the chart below to find the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC.

| $\mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{K})$  | N = (J+L)  | $O = ((N \div M) * 100)$  |
|---|--|---|
| Number of subscribers that the ETC attempted to recertify directly or through a state administrator, ETC access to a state database, or by USAC (This should equal thenumber reported in Block E) | Number of<br>subscribers de-<br>enrolled or scheduled<br>to be de- enrolled as a<br>result of non-response<br>or ineligibility | Percentage of subscribers<br>de-enrolled or scheduled to<br>be de-enrolled as a result of<br>ineligibility ornon-response |

#### Section 4: Pre-Paid ETCs

All ETCs must complete the appropriate check-box; pre-paid ETCs must complete all of Section 4. Pre-paid ETCs generally do not assess or collecta monthly fee from their Lifeline subscribers. ETCs that only assess a fee but do not collect such fees are pre-paid ETCs and must complete the chart below.

| Is | the | ETC | Pre-Paid? |
|----|-----|-----|-----------|
|    |     |     |           |

Yes  $\square$ 

No **■** 

If Yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in Block Q below.

| P                 | Q                                     |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Month             | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January           |                                       |
| February          |                                       |
| March             |                                       |
| April             |                                       |
| May               |                                       |
| June              |                                       |
| July              |                                       |
| August            |                                       |
| September         |                                       |
| October           |                                       |
| November          |                                       |
| December          |                                       |
| Total Subscribers |                                       |

#### Signature Block

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area Code (SAC) listed above.

Signed

Signature of Officer

scott@comsouth.net

Email Address of Officer

Neysa G. Atkinson

Person Completing This Certification Form

Scott C. Obert-Thorn

Printed Name and Title of Officer

January 22, 2015

Date

478-783-4001

Contact Phone Number

### **Affiliated ETCs**

| SAC | Name   |
|-----|--------|
| JAC | Ivanic |
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